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1. TEXT OF RESOLUTION ON RHODESIA FOLLOWS.

2. TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

FOURTH COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM 67

QUESTION OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE QUESTION OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA
(ZIMBABWE),

HAVING EXAMINED THE RELEVANT CHAPTERS OF THE REPORT OF
THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES, 1/

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HAVING HEARD THE STATEMENTS OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
ZIMBABWE AFRICAN PEOPLE'S UNION AND THE ZIMBABWE AFRICAN
NATIONAL UNION, WHO PARTICIPATED IN AN OBSERVER CAPACITY
IN THE FOURTH COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM,

HAVING HEARD THE STATEMENTS OF PETITIONERS, 2/

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1514 (XV) OF 14 DECEMBER 1960, CONTAINING THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES, AND ITS RESOLUTION 2621 (XXV) OF 12 OCTOBER 1970, CONTAINING THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION, AS WELL AS ALL OTHER RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO THE QUESTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE,

STRONGLY DEPLORING THE FAILURE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO DISCHARGE ITS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY AS THE ADMINISTERING POWER AND, IN CONFORMITY WITH THE RELEVANT DECISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, TO PUT AN END TO THE CRITICAL SITUATION IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA (ZIMBABWE) WHICH, AS REPEATEDLY AFFIRMED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL, CONSTITUTES A THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY,

REAFFIRMING THAT ANY ATTEMPT TO NEGOTIATE THE FUTURE OF ZIMBABWE WITH THE ILLEGAL REGIME ON THE BASIS OF INDEPENDENCE BEFORE MAJORITY RULE WOULD BE IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY AND CONTRARY TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE RESOLUTION 1514 (XV),

CONDEMNING THE CONTINUED OPPRESSION OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE BY THE ILLEGAL RACIST MINORITY REGIME, THE ARBITRARY IMPRISONMENT AND DETENTION OF POLITICAL LEADERS AND OTHERS, THE ILLEGAL EXECUTION OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS, AND THE CONTINUED DENIAL OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR THE CRIMINAL MEASURES OF COLLECTIVE PUNISHMENT, AS WELL AS THE MEASURES WHICH ARE

DESIGNED TO CREATE AN APARTHEID STATE IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA (ZIMBABWE),
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CONDEMNING THE CONTINUED ILLEGAL PRESENCE AND INTENSIFIED MILITARY INTERVENTION OF SOUTH AFRICAN FORCES IN THE TERRITORY, WHICH ASSIST THE RACIST MINORITY REGIME AND SERIOUSLY THREATEN THE SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF NEIGHBOURING AFRICAN STATES,

STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE ILLEGAL RACIST MINORITY REGIME FOR THE REPEATED ABDUCTIONS OF ZIMBABWEANS IN BOTSWANA IN TOTAL DISREGARD OF THEIR FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND IN OPEN VIOLATION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THAT COUNTRY,

DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE OF THE

UNITED KINGDOM AUTHORITIES TOWARDS THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS OF ZIMBABWE, AS MANIFESTED, INTER ALIA, BY THE REFUSAL OF THOSE AUTHORITIES TO ISSUE PASSPORTS AND TRAVEL DOCUMENTS TO MEMBERS OF THE MOVEMENTS,

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION THE RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS ATTAINED BY THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS OF ZIMBABWE THROUGH THEIR DETERMINED STRUGGLE TOWARDS FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE, DESPITE THE INTENSIFIED MILITARY AND POLICE REPRESSION AND OTHER ACTS OF VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT CARRIED OUT AGAINST THEM BY THE ILLEGAL REGIME,

1. REAFFIRMS THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE TO SELF-DETERMINATION, FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE AND THE LEGITIMACY OF THEIR STRUGGLE TO SECURE BY ALL THE MEANS AT THEIR DISPOSAL THE ENJOYMENT OF THAT RIGHT AS SET FORTH IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF RESOLUTION 1514 (XV);

2. REAFFIRMS THAT THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS OF ZIMBABWE ARE THE SOLE AND AUTHENTIC REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TRUE ASPIRATIONS OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE;

3. REAFFIRMS THE PRINCIPLE THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO INDEPENDENCE BEFORE MAJORITY RULE IN ZIMBABWE AND THAT ANY SETTLEMENT RELATING TO THE FUTURE OF THE TERRITORY MUST BE WORKED OUT WITH THE FULL PARTICIPATION OF THE GENUINE
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POLITICAL LEADERS AND THE LEADERS OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR THE REVEREND NDABANINGI SITHOLE, PRESIDENT OF THE ZIMBABWE AFRICAN NATIONAL UNION, AND MR. JOSHUA NKOMO, PRESIDENT OF THE

ZIMBABWE AFRICAN PEOPLE'S UNION, AND MUST BE ENDORSED FREELY AND FULLY BY THE PEOPLE;

4. CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, IN THE DISCHARGE OF ITS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY AS THE ADMINISTERING POWER, TO TAKE ALL EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO TERMINATE THE ILLEGAL RACIST MINORITY REGIME AND NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES TO ACCORD TO THE ILLEGAL REGIME ANY OF THE POWERS OR ATTRIBUTES OF SOVEREIGNTY, AND REQUESTS THAT GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE THE COUNTRY'S ATTAINMENT OF INDEPENDENCE BY A DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION;

5. CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TO BRING ABOUT THE CONDITIONS NECESSARY TO ENABLE THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE TO EXERCISE FREELY AND FULLY THEIR RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE, INCLUDING:

(A) THE EXPULSION OF ALL SOUTH AFRICAN FORCES FROM THE TERRITORY FORTHWITH; (B) THE UNCONDITIONAL AND IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS, DETAINEES AND RESTRICTEDS, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR THE REVEREND NDABANINGI SITHOLE AND MR. JOSHUA NKOMO; (C) THE DISCONTINUANCE FORTHWITH OF ALL REPRESSIVE AND DISCRIMINATORY MEASURES, INCLUDING THE ARBITRARY CLOSURE OF AFRICAN AREAS, THE EVICTION, TRANSFER AND RESETTLEMENT OF AFRICANS AND THE CREATION OF "PROTECTED VILLAGES" AND NEW ADMINISTRATIVE "DISTRICTS"; (D) THE IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF THE INFLUX OF FOREIGN IMMIGRANTS AND MERCENARIES INTO THE TERRITORY AND DISCONTINUANCE OF THE IMMIGRATION CAMPAIGN ENTITLED "SETTLERS 74"; (E) THE REMOVAL OF ALL RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FULL DEMOCRATIC FREEDOM AND EQUALITY OF POLITICAL RIGHTS; (F) THE CONVENING, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, OF A NATIONAL CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WHERE THE GENUINE POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, PARTICULARLY THE NATIONAL UNCLASSIFIED

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LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, WOULD BE ABLE TO WORK OUT A SETTLEMENT RELATING TO THE FUTURE OF THE TERRITORY FOR SUBSEQUENT ENDORSEMENT BY THE PEOPLE THROUGH FREE AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES;

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6. FURTHER CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TO ENSURE THAT, IN ANY EXERCISE TO ASCERTAIN THE WISHES AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AS TO THEIR POLITICAL FUTURE, THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED SHOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSAL ADULT SUFFRAGE AND BY SECRET BALLOT ON THE BASIS OF ONE-MAN ONE-VOTE, WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOUR OR EDUCATIONAL,

PROPERTY OR INCOME CONSIDERATIONS;

7. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, BEARING IN MIND ITS RESPONSIBILITY AS THE ADMINISTERING POWER UNDER CHAPTER XI OF THE CHARTER, TO SECURE THE FULL ENJOYMENT BY THE AFRICAN PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE TERRITORY, OF THEIR FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS, THEIR JUST TREATMENT AND THEIR PROTECTION AGAINST ABUSES, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR THEIR RIGHT TO TRAVEL FREELY, AND TO ENSURE THE FULL UTILIZATION OF ALL AVAILABLE ASSISTANCE IN CO-OPERATION, AS APPROPRIATE, WITH THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES;

8. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO SECURE THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF THE ZIMBABWEANS ABDUCTED IN BOTSWANA AND TO PREVENT THE FUTURE RECURRENCE OF ALL SUCH ACTS;

9. REQUESTS ALL STATES, DIRECTLY AND THROUGH THEIR ACTION

IN THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WITH-
IN THE UNITED NATIONS WHICH THEY ARE MEMBERS, AS WELL AS
THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED AND THE
VARIOUS PROGRAMMES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS, TO EXTEND
TO THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE ALL THE MORAL AND MATERIAL
ASSISTANCE NECESSARY IN THEIR STRUGGLE FOR THE RESTORATION
OF THEIR INALIENABLE RIGHTS;

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10. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TO
REMOVE ANY OBSTACLES TO THE EFFECTIVE UTILIZATION BY THE
AFRICAN PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE
TERRITORY, OF OFFERS BY THE STATES, ORGANIZATIONS AND
PROGRAMMES REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 9 ABOVE OF EDUCATIONAL
AND TRAINING GRANTS AND FACILITIES AND, AT THE SAME TIME,
TO ENSURE THAT ADEQUATE RESOURCES ARE MADE AVAILABLE FOR
THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE;

11. REQUESTS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM, IN
KEEPING WITH ITS EXPRESS READINESS TO DO SO, 3/ TO
CO-OPERATE WITH THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION
WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON
THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND
PEOPLES IN THE DISCHARGE OF THE MANDATE ENTRUSTED TO THE
LATTER BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO REPORT TO THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND TO THE ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTIETH
SESSION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRESENT RESOLUTION;

12. INVITES ALL GOVERNMENTS, THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,
THE UNITED NATIONS BODIES CONCERNED AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS HAVING A SPECIAL INTEREST IN THE FIELD OF
DECOLONIZATION AS WELL AS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, TO TAKE
STEPS, AS APPROPRIATE, TO GIVE WIDESPREAD AND CONTINUOUS
PUBLICITY THROUGH ALL THE MEDIA AT THEIR DISPOSAL TO
INFORMATION ON THE SITUATION IN ZIMBABWE AND THE RELEVANT
DECISIONS AND ACTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH PARTI-
CULAR REFERENCE TO THE APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST
THE ILLEGAL REGIME;

13. REQUESTS THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH
REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE
GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES
TO KEEP THE SITUATION IN THE TERRITORY UNDER REVIEW AND
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